Minutes 3/22/07 Bike / Pedestrian Task Force

Present: Jack Saye, Barb Mee, Elisa Mayes, Tom Redinger, Skye Barkschat, Ben Blitch, Till Dohse, Michael Sule, Andrew Bick, Joey Coddington and Claudia Nix.

Several new individuals attended this meeting. Much of the time was spent discussing the Commuting Workshop to take place on April 21st. Several decisions were made, i.e.

1. We would not do a session on repairing bikes but would advertise local bike store classes at the workshop.
2. If the local stores agree we would give participants a 10% off coupon for accessories to encourage them shopping at the local stores
3. Want to offer a culminating short bike ride for participants.
4. Want to give participants a check list for them to use in reviewing their bike’s roadworthiness.
5. At the end of the workshop break participants into groups so they can practice using the bus bike rack & checking over their bikes and signing up for bike buddies.
6. Each individual will assist promoting the workshop. Claudia will get sign up sheets to Task Force members.
7. Want to keep the workshop exciting and participants engaged not just talked to. Keep it flowing and not bogged down.
8. We need another meeting before the event so our next meeting will be Thurs, April 19th.
9. Ben Blitch agreed to go to Earth Fare to promote the workshop the Saturday before.

Claudia reported on the Bicycle Summit in Washington, DC and requested that folks write to Governor Easley requesting that he not return Transportation Enhancement Funds when he makes his decision to return the requested funds to the Federal Government. Each Governor has been requested to send a portion of their transportation funds by April 18, 2007. For more information on this request go to www.Railstotrails.org.

Our next meeting will be Thurs, April 19th we will finalize plans on the workshop and discuss suggestions from the Bicycle Friendly Application.